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Highway Safety Partners:

The Idaho Transportation Department's Office of Traffic and Highway Safety invites you to apply for upcoming highway safety grants. Enclosed are **two Requests for Proposals**, Highway Safety Grant funds, and the Railroad Grade Crossing funds. The Highway Safety Grant funds comprise our regular, ongoing funding programs. The Railroad Grade Crossing funds are available for public education programs which promote safety at railroad grade crossings of public streets, roads and highways. The differences between the two programs are listed below to help you differentiate between them.

Highway Safety Grant Funds

- Funding is available to all state, local governmental agencies, and non-profit organizations for local highway safety projects.
 - All grants will require a minimum 25 percent agency match apportionment.
 - Funding can be used to develop a comprehensive traffic safety program to address safety restraint usage, aggressive driving, impaired driving, and other problems as listed in the attached *Highway Safety Grant Request for Proposal*.
 - Funding may be used for education, enforcement, emergency medical services, DUI probation, equipment, training, and other methods to address highway safety issues.
 - Funding availability begins on October 1, 2006, dependent on receipt of federal funding.
 - All grants require timely reporting submissions. Lack of timely reporting will jeopardize continued funding.
 - To apply for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2007 funding, complete the attached *Highway Safety Grant Letter of Intent*.
 - **Your Letter of Intent must be postmarked no later than February 28, 2006. Faxed or e-mailed Letters of Intent must be received no later than 5:00 PM MST on February 28, 2006.**
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Railroad Grade Crossing Grant Funds

- Funding can be used to develop or continue a comprehensive education and safety program to address safety at railroad grade crossings.
- Funding availability begins on **July 1, 2006** to run through **June 30, 2007**.
- All grants require timely quarterly reporting submissions. Lack of timely reporting will jeopardize continued or future funding.
- To apply for state fiscal year (SFY) 2007 funding, complete the attached *Railroad Grade Crossing Fund Letter of Intent*.
- **Your Letter of Intent must be postmarked no later than February 28, 2006. Faxed or e-mailed Letters of Intent must be received no later than 5:00 PM MST on February 28, 2006.**

The opportunity to apply for these grants will allow you to make a significant impact in your community by saving lives, reducing serious injuries, and reducing the high cost of vehicle crashes to the public.

If you have any questions or need assistance completing the forms, please contact the Office of Traffic and Highway Safety at (208) 334-8100. Electronic versions of our forms can be found by going to our Web site at <http://itd.idaho.gov/ohs/> and then clicking on *Highway Safety Programs*.

Sincerely,

MARK STRAIT
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Office of Traffic and Highway Safety

Encl.: Highway Safety Grant Request for Proposal & Letter of Intent
Railroad Grade Crossing Fund Request for Proposal & Letter of Intent